

## **AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please replace paragraph number [0001] with the following rewritten paragraph:

**[0001]** ~~Rigid endoscopes~~A rigid endoscope usually ~~have~~has an optical system consisting of an objective, an ocular and between them a relay lens system consisting of several relay sets. Because the objective and each relay set is producing an image which is turned upside down, and because a standard endoscope should produce an upright image, usually an odd number of relay sets is used so that the image produced by the optical system is upright.

Please replace paragraph number [0007] with the following rewritten paragraph:

**[0007]** According to the invention, each half set of the relay set is designed in the form of a Triplet. The Triplet is a well known lens design used for camera optics. Much to the surprise of experts it turns out that the Triplet design can be used on relay sets for endoscope optics. The biggest advantage of the Triplet design is that it uses very simple lenses. In a Triplet design,~~which in each half set have~~has a positive, a negative and a positive power lens unit. The well known simple Triplet design is easy to calculate and easy to manufacture so that a very economical design results.